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2:00 p.m.

The House was called to order by the Speaker Pro Tempore.

The roll was called by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, who announced that a quorum was present.

Adamini—present	Garza—present	Lockwood—present	Schauer—present
Allen—present	George—present	Mans—present	Schermesser—present
Anderson—present	Gielegghem—present	McConico—present	Scranton—present
Basham—present	Gilbert—present	Mead—present	Shackleton—present
Bernero—present	Godchaux—present	Meyer—present	Sheltrown—present
Birkholz—present	Gosselin—present	Middaugh—present	Shulman—present
Bisbee—present	Hager—present	Minore—present	Spade—present
Bishop—present	Hale—present	Mortimer—present	Stallworth—present
Bogardus—present	Hansen—present	Murphy—present	Stamas—present
Bovin—present	Hardman—present	Neumann—present	Stewart—present
Bradstreet—present	Hart—present	Newell—present	Switalski—present
Brown, Bob—present	Howell—present	O’Neil—present	Tabor—present
Brown, Cameron—present	Jacobs—present	Pappageorge—present	Thomas—present
Brown, Rich—present	Jamnick—present	Patterson—present	Toy—present
Callahan—present	Jansen—present	Pestka—present	Vander Roest—present
Cassis—present	Jelinek—present	Phillips—present	Vander Veen—present
Caul—present	Johnson, Rick—present	Plakas—present	Van Woerkom—present
Clark—present	Johnson, Ruth—present	Pumford—present	Vear—present
Clarke—present	Julian—present	Quarles—present	Voorhees—present
Daniels—present	Kilpatrick—present	Raczkowski—present	Waters—present
Dennis—present	Koetje—present	Reeves—present	Whitmer—present
DeRossett—present	Kolb—present	Richardville—present	Williams—present
DeVuyst—present	Kooiman—present	Richner—present	Wojno—present
DeWeese—present	Kowall—present	Rison—present	Woodward—present
Ehardt—excused	Kuipers—present	Rivet—present	Woronchak—present
Faunce—present	LaSata—present	Rocca—present	Zelenko—excused
Frank—present	Lemmons—present	Sanborn—present	
Garcia—present	Lipsey—present		

Reverend Jane Ellen Johnson, Pastor of Farwell United Methodist Church in Farwell, offered the following invocation:

“Creator God, source of all life and lover of every soul. We lift our voices to You in praise and thanksgiving for the evidence of Your presence in this world and Your caring for all things and all persons You have brought into being.

We ask Your blessing today on these men and women, Michigan’s Representatives, that they will speak truthfully, rule justly and serve selflessly. Let them be mindful that there is no real separation of Your church and the state, that You, O God, are the one in which we all must put our trust.

We ask Your blessing today on those who cannot speak for themselves, whose voices are silenced by lack of just representation. We pray for the children. We pray for those living in poverty. We pray for the elderly. We pray for those living in the midst of violence. We seek discernment that we may see Your truth. We seek guidance that Your word is a lamp unto our feet and a light for our paths. We seek the wisdom to ask what You would have us do, that we may be saved from all false choices and hurtful judgements.

We thank You God, that we are in this place, this House of Representatives, able to freely pray out loud without fear or intimidation and that we have the freedom to proclaim Your name as Lord with joy and with power.

And so, all powerful God, we invoke Your presence among us now, for we need the knowledge and the energy You alone can provide. Your ways are wonderful beyond our understanding. When our strength is spent, our vision clouded and our hope gone, You reach out to us in ways we often fail to discern. We take heart to think that You are calling us to Yourself, opening our eyes to see Your wonders as if for the first time. We want to be a part of Your faithful people in a world that too often loses sight of the holy. And so we say, help us, we pray. Amen.”

Rep. Jacobs moved that Rep. Zelenko be excused from today’s session.

The motion prevailed.

Rep. Vander Roest moved that Rep. Ehardt be excused from today’s session.

The motion prevailed.

Third Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4018, entitled

A bill to repeal 1947 LA 9, entitled “The act to prevent hunting, on Sunday, for game animals and game birds in the county of Macomb.”.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of the members serving voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 6

Yeas—90

Adamini	Frank	Mans	Sanborn
Allen	Garcia	McConico	Schauer
Anderson	George	Mead	Schermesser
Basham	Gielegghem	Meyer	Shackleton
Bernero	Gilbert	Minore	Sheltrown
Birkholz	Gosselin	Mortimer	Shulman
Bisbee	Hager	Neumann	Stallworth
Bishop	Hansen	Newell	Stamas
Bogardus	Hart	O’Neil	Stewart
Bovin	Howell	Patterson	Switalski
Bradstreet	Jacobs	Pestka	Tabor
Brown, B.	Jamnack	Phillips	Thomas
Brown, C.	Jansen	Plakas	Van Woerkom
Brown, R.	Jelinek	Pumford	Vander Roest
Callahan	Johnson, Rick	Quarles	Vander Veen

Cassis	Kilpatrick	Rackowski	Vear
Caul	Koetje	Reeves	Voorhees
Clarke, H.	Kolb	Richardville	Waters
Daniels	Kooiman	Richner	Williams
Dennis	Kowall	Rison	Wojno
DeRossett	LaSata	Rivet	Woodward
DeVuyst	Lemmons	Rocca	Woronchak
Faunce	Lockwood		

Nays—14

Clark, I.	Hardman	Middaugh	Spade
DeWeese	Julian	Murphy	Toy
Garza	Kuipers	Pappageorge	Whitmer
Hale	Lipsey		

In The Chair: Birkholz

The House agreed to the title of the bill.

Rep. Patterson moved that the bill be given immediate effect.

The motion prevailed, 2/3 of the members serving voting therefor.

Reps. Adamini, Anderson, Basham, Rich Brown, DeRossett, DeVuyst, Faunce, Gielegheem, Hansen, LaSata, Plakas, Richner, Sanborn, Stallworth, Tabor, Vear, Wojno and Woodward were named co-sponsors of the bill.

Reps. Middaugh, Pappageorge, Julian and Toy, having reserved the right to explain their protest against the passage of the bill, made the following statement:

“Mr. Speaker and members of the House:

The voters of Macomb County should have the right to repeal the prohibition of Sunday hunting in their county. If this bill included a referendum for local voters to have the final say, I would be proud to support the bill. Without the input of local voters, however, I must oppose the bill.”

Second Reading of Bills

House Bill No. 4147, entitled

A bill to amend 1947 PA 359, entitled “The charter township act,” by amending section 31 (MCL 42.31).

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Rivet moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 199, entitled

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled “The insurance code of 1956,” by amending section 3104 (MCL 500.3104), as amended by 1980 PA 445.

The bill was read a second time.

Rep. Bogardus moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 11, following line 18, by inserting:

“(24) THE AUDITOR GENERAL OR A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT APPOINTED BY THE AUDITOR GENERAL SHALL CONDUCT AND REMIT TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEES ON INSURANCE ISSUES A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE ASSOCIATION BY MARCH 1, 2002 AND EVERY 4 YEARS THEREAFTER. IN CONDUCTING THE AUDIT, THE AUDITOR

GENERAL OR APPOINTED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT SHALL HAVE ACCESS TO ALL RECORDS OF THE ASSOCIATION. EACH AUDIT REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE A DETERMINATION OF WHETHER THE ASSOCIATION IS LIKELY TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO MEET ITS OBLIGATIONS.” and renumbering the remaining subsections.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Rep. Bogardus,

Rep. Bogardus demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Rep. Bogardus,

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 7

Yeas—50

Adamini	Frank	Mans	Schauer
Anderson	Garza	McConico	Schermesser
Basham	Gielegthem	Minore	Sheltrown
Bernero	Hale	Murphy	Spade
Bogardus	Hansen	Neumann	Stallworth
Bovin	Hardman	Pestka	Switalski
Brown, B.	Jacobs	Phillips	Thomas
Brown, R.	Jamnick	Plakas	Waters
Callahan	Kilpatrick	Quarles	Whitmer
Clark, I.	Kolb	Reeves	Williams
Clarke, H.	Lemmons	Rison	Wojno
Daniels	Lipsey	Rivet	Woodward
Dennis	Lockwood		

Nays—57

Allen	Godchaux	LaSata	Sanborn
Birkholz	Gosselin	Mead	Scranton
Bisbee	Hager	Meyer	Shackleton
Bishop	Hart	Middaugh	Shulman
Bradstreet	Howell	Mortimer	Stamas
Brown, C.	Jansen	Newell	Stewart
Cassis	Jelinek	O’Neil	Tabor
Caul	Johnson, Rick	Pappageorge	Toy
DeRossett	Johnson, Ruth	Patterson	Van Woerkom
DeVuyst	Julian	Pumford	Vander Roest
DeWeese	Koetje	Rackowski	Vander Veen
Faunce	Kooiman	Richardville	Vear
Garcia	Kowall	Richner	Voorhees
George	Kuipers	Rocca	Woronchak
Gilbert			

In The Chair: Birkholz

Rep. Bogardus moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 11, following line 21, by inserting:

“(25) THE BUSINESS THAT THE BOARD MAY PERFORM SHALL BE CONDUCTED AT A PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 TO 15.275.

(26) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 134(4), A WRITING PREPARED, OWNED, USED, IN THE POSSESSION OF, OR RETAINED BY THE BOARD IN THE PERFORMANCE OF AN OFFICIAL FUNCTION IS SUBJECT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246. HOWEVER,

INFORMATION AS TO AN INDIVIDUAL INSURED'S CLAIM OR CASE, INFORMATION THAT WOULD LEAD TO INFORMATION THAT IDENTIFIES AN INDIVIDUAL INSURED'S CLAIM OR CASE, OR INFORMATION CONCERNING POTENTIAL FUTURE INVESTMENTS TO BE MADE BY THE ASSOCIATION IS EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246." and renumbering the remaining subsection.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Rep. Bogardus,

Rep. Bogardus demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Rep. Bogardus,

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 8

Yeas—52

Adamini	Frank	Mans	Schauer
Anderson	Garza	McConico	Schermesser
Basham	Gielegthem	Minore	Sheltrown
Bernero	Hale	Murphy	Spade
Bogardus	Hansen	Neumann	Stallworth
Bovin	Hardman	O'Neil	Switalski
Brown, B.	Jacobs	Pestka	Thomas
Brown, R.	Jamnick	Phillips	Waters
Callahan	Kilpatrick	Plakas	Whitmer
Clark, I.	Kolb	Quarles	Williams
Clarke, H.	Lemmons	Reeves	Wojno
Daniels	Lipsey	Rison	Woodward
Dennis	Lockwood	Rivet	Woronchak

Nays—55

Allen	Gilbert	Kuipers	Sanborn
Birkholz	Godchaux	LaSata	Scranton
Bisbee	Gosselin	Mead	Shackleton
Bishop	Hager	Meyer	Shulman
Bradstreet	Hart	Middaugh	Stamas
Brown, C.	Howell	Mortimer	Stewart
Cassis	Jansen	Newell	Tabor
Caul	Jelinek	Pappageorge	Toy
DeRossett	Johnson, Rick	Patterson	Van Woerkom
DeVuyst	Johnson, Ruth	Pumford	Vander Roest
DeWeese	Julian	Rackowski	Vander Veen
Faunce	Koetje	Richardville	Vear
Garcia	Kooiman	Richner	Voorhees
George	Kowall	Rocca	

In The Chair: Birkholz

Rep. Woodward moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 9, line 1, after "(7)(d)" by inserting "AND 4 MEMBERS REPRESENTING THE GENERAL PUBLIC. THE GENERAL PUBLIC MEMBERS SHALL BE SELECTED SO AS TO PROVIDE VARIED EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE BOARD".

2. Amend page 9, line 10, after "of" by striking out "5" and inserting "9".

3. Amend page 9, line 19, after "any" by striking out "3" and inserting "5".

4. Amend page 9, line 21, after “issues.” by striking out “Four” and inserting “SIX”.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Woodward,

Rep. Woodward demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the amendments offered by Rep. Woodward,

The amendments were not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 9

Yeas—51

Adamini	Frank	Mans	Schauer
Anderson	Garza	McConico	Schermesser
Basham	Gielegghem	Minore	Sheltrown
Bernero	Hale	Murphy	Spade
Bogardus	Hansen	Neumann	Stallworth
Bovin	Hardman	O’Neil	Switalski
Brown, B.	Jacobs	Pestka	Thomas
Brown, R.	Jamnick	Phillips	Waters
Callahan	Kilpatrick	Plakas	Whitmer
Clark, I.	Kolb	Quarles	Williams
Clarke, H.	Lemmons	Reeves	Wojno
Daniels	Lipsey	Rison	Woodward
Dennis	Lockwood	Rivet	

Nays—56

Allen	Gilbert	Kuipers	Sanborn
Birkholz	Godchaux	LaSata	Scranton
Bisbee	Gosselin	Mead	Shackleton
Bishop	Hager	Meyer	Shulman
Bradstreet	Hart	Middaugh	Stamas
Brown, C.	Howell	Mortimer	Stewart
Cassis	Jansen	Newell	Tabor
Caul	Jelinek	Pappageorge	Toy
DeRossett	Johnson, Rick	Patterson	Van Woerkom
DeVuyst	Johnson, Ruth	Pumford	Vander Roest
DeWeese	Julian	Rackowski	Vander Veen
Faunce	Koetje	Richardville	Vear
Garcia	Kooiman	Richner	Voorhees
George	Kowall	Rocca	Woronchak

In The Chair: Birkholz

Rep. Vander Roest moved that Rep. Shackleton be excused temporarily from today’s session.
The motion prevailed.

Rep. Thomas moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Amend page 11, following line 21, by inserting:

“(25) AN INSURER SHALL NOT RAISE RATES BASED ON AMENDMENTS TO THIS SUBSECTION MADE BY THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBSECTION” and renumbering the remaining subsection.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Rep. Thomas,
Rep. Thomas demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was supported.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by Rep. Thomas,

The amendment was not adopted, a majority of the members serving not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Roll Call No. 10**Yeas—53**

Adamini	Garza	McConico	Schauer
Anderson	Gielegthem	Minore	Schermesser
Basham	Hale	Murphy	Sheltrown
Bernero	Hansen	Neumann	Spade
Bogardus	Hardman	O'Neil	Stallworth
Bovin	Jacobs	Pestka	Switalski
Brown, B.	Jamnick	Phillips	Thomas
Brown, R.	Kilpatrick	Plakas	Waters
Callahan	Kolb	Quarles	Whitmer
Clark, I.	Lemmons	Reeves	Williams
Clarke, H.	Lipsey	Richardville	Wojno
Daniels	Lockwood	Rison	Woodward
Dennis	Mans	Rivet	Woronchak
Frank			

Nays—53

Allen	Gilbert	Kowall	Rocca
Birkholz	Godchaux	Kuipers	Sanborn
Bisbee	Gosselin	LaSata	Scranton
Bishop	Hager	Mead	Shulman
Bradstreet	Hart	Meyer	Stamas
Brown, C.	Howell	Middaugh	Stewart
Cassis	Jansen	Mortimer	Tabor
Caul	Jelinek	Newell	Toy
DeRossett	Johnson, Rick	Pappageorge	Van Woerkom
DeVuyst	Johnson, Ruth	Patterson	Vander Roest
DeWeese	Julian	Pumford	Vander Veen
Faunce	Koetje	Rackowski	Vear
Garcia	Kooiman	Richner	Voorhees
George			

In The Chair: Birkholz

Rep. Patterson moved that the bill be placed on the order of Third Reading of Bills.
The motion prevailed.

Rep. Patterson moved that House Committees be given leave to meet during the balance of today's session.
The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the House returned to the order of
Motions and Resolutions

Reps. Lockwood, Sheltroun, Pestka, Wojno, Callahan, Adamini, Rich Brown, Neumann, Bernero, Kolb, Mans, Plakas, Spade, Basham, Lipsey, Garza, Bovin, Switalski, Minore, Dennis, Woodward, Julian, Anderson, Middaugh, Jacobs, Quarles, Lemmons, Clark, DeRossett, McConico, Hale, Bogardus, Jamnick, Hansen, Birkholz, Murphy, Hardman, Clarke, Richardville, Schauer, Shackleton, DeVuyst, Bob Brown, Cassis, Whitmer, Stewart, Richner, Scranton, Bishop and Waters offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 41.

A resolution to urge the United States Department of Energy to explore the development of new natural gas resources that do not negatively impact the environment and lead to the long-term stability of affordable natural gas prices.

Whereas, Throughout this winter, our country has experienced a shortage of natural gas. Several factors have contributed to this shortage, including economic conditions, the weather, patterns of consumption, changes in the regulatory climate in some regions, and uneven planning and development; and

Whereas, Natural gas is a versatile fuel, with a long record of safety and dependability for heating homes and generating electricity. Compared to other options for large-scale energy, it is generally not as damaging to the environment as other sources are. With these attractive features, the potential for even more uses, and the current shortages and market instability, development of natural gas is of the utmost importance; and

Whereas, In our national response to these factors, however, it is imperative that policymakers, industry, and the public not lose sight of the long-term damage we can do to our country and its resources if development efforts do not respect the environment. Developing natural gas resources should not completely overshadow the importance of our country's non-energy resources. The short-term thinking that would harm the environment in a frantic search for natural gas is not unlike some of the short-term thinking that has contributed to the current problems; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the United States Department of Energy to develop incentives to promote the exploration and the development of new natural gas resources that do not negatively impact the environment and lead to the long-term stability of affordable natural gas prices; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the United States Secretary of Energy.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

Reps. Murphy, Spade, Sheltroun, Woodward, Jacobs, Quarles, Bovin, Lemmons, Clark, DeRossett, Rich Brown, McConico, Lipsey, Wojno, Hale, Bogardus, Jamnick, Rivet, Switalski, Hansen, Neumann, Thomas, Garza, Hardman, Bernero, Clarke, Schauer, Reeves, Adamini, Dennis, Whitmer, Stewart, Gielegem and Waters offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 42.

A resolution to encourage the Governor to establish a Community-based Facilitator's Office within the Department of Management and Budget.

Whereas, At the federal level, efforts are underway to encourage better communication and coordination between the government and community-based, faith-based, and nonprofit organizations. With good planning and sound direction, a community-based organization facilitator's office can be a notable catalyst for better services for our people in many areas, including housing, health, and education; and

Whereas, In order to better use the resources and commitment of community-based, faith-based, and nonprofit organizations, it is essential that there be an evaluation of the current situation in Michigan; and

Whereas, We need to determine how many community-based, faith-based, and nonprofit organizations already have contracts with the state, how many have applied for contracts in the past few years; the total number of bids and contracts; what services are most needed by these groups from a state office; what other states are doing in this area; and what are the training and education needs of these groups to deal with the state successfully; and

Whereas, An office should be established to develop ways for community-based, faith-based, and nonprofit groups to participate effectively in the state's procurement process; to provide instruction in grant and proposal writing; to provide education on state and federal regulations and guidelines; to monitor the progress of various proposals; and to provide intervention and mediation services; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we encourage the Governor to establish a Community-based Facilitator's Office within the Department of Management and Budget. We encourage the Governor to take into consideration current state resources and to build upon the available services to develop this office within DMB; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Office of the Governor.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Family and Children Services.

Reps. Clarke, Spade, Woodward, Jacobs, Bovin, Lemmons, Clark, Minore, DeRossett, Rich Brown, McConico, Lipsey, Wojno, Hale, Bogardus, Jamnick, Rivet, Switalski, Hansen, Birkholz, Pappageorge, Murphy, Neumann, Thomas, Garza, Hardman, Bernero, Schauer, Reeves, Adamini, Dennis, Whitmer, Stewart, Gielegem, Vear and Waters offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 43.

A resolution honoring the life of Mr. Levi Jackson.

Whereas, It is with great respect for the loving legacy that Levi Jackson bestowed upon us that we offer our words of praise as a memorial for his life. A beloved husband and father, successful professional, active and concerned citizen, and a devoted member of Christ Church, Levi Jackson touched and enriched countless lives through his kind words, Christian deeds, and fine example. While his voice is silenced, he will long live in the hearts of all who had the pleasure of knowing him; and

Whereas, Serving others was a well-established trait of Levi Jackson. He served his country during World War II in the Army. With the GI Bill, Levi Jackson was able to pursue an academic career in engineering at the prestigious Yale University. More impressively, during his college career he was able to maintain a part-time job while playing football. As the university's first black football player, he was a star running back and a team captain. Although he was given the opportunity to play professionally, Levi Jackson went to work for Ford and held several executive positions in his 32 years with the automaker; and

Whereas, Levi Jackson was a lifelong Christian who lived by his principles. He was considered the ideal friend and a great source of inspiration and kindness. He always had a smile and a good joke accompanied by a heartfelt laugh. Understanding, unselfish, and untiring in his efforts to help others, Levi Jackson readily accepted friends into the family; and

Whereas, On December 7, 2000, Levi Jackson passed away at the age of 74. Although he is no longer with us, Levi Jackson will forever be with us in spirit as we look upon his extraordinary life and his many contributions and accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body honor the life of Mr. Levi Jackson; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to his family and friends as a token of our esteem.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Reps. Rivet, Sheltroun, Pestka, Wojno, Callahan, Rich Brown, Adamini, Neumann, Bernero, Kolb, Mans, Plakas, Spade, Basham, Lipsey, Garza, Bovin, Switalski, Minore, Dennis, Woodward, Anderson, Jacobs, Lemmons, Clark, DeRossett, McConico, Hale, Bogardus, Jamnick, Hansen, Birkholz, Murphy, Hardman, Clarke, Richardville, Schauer, Shackleton, DeVuyt, Bob Brown, Lockwood, Whitmer, Stewart, Richner, Bishop and Waters offered the following concurrent resolution:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 12.

A concurrent resolution to urge the United States Department of Energy to explore the development of new natural gas resources that do not negatively impact the environment and lead to the long-term stability of affordable natural gas prices.

Whereas, Throughout this winter, our country has experienced a shortage of natural gas. Several factors have contributed to this shortage, including economic conditions, the weather, patterns of consumption, changes in the regulatory climate in some regions, and uneven planning and development; and

Whereas, Natural gas is a versatile fuel, with a long record of safety and dependability for heating homes and generating electricity. Compared to other options for large-scale energy, it is generally not as damaging to the environment as other sources are. With these attractive features, the potential for even more uses, and the current shortages and market instability, development of natural gas is of the utmost importance; and

Whereas, In our national response to these factors, however, it is imperative that policymakers, industry, and the public not lose sight of the long-term damage we can do to our country and its resources if development efforts do not respect the environment. Developing natural gas resources should not completely overshadow the importance of our country's non-energy resources. The short-term thinking that would harm the environment in a frantic search for natural gas is not unlike some of the short-term thinking that has contributed to the current problems; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That we urge the United States Department of Energy to develop incentives to promote the exploration and the development of new natural gas resources that do not negatively impact the environment and lead to the long-term stability of affordable natural gas prices; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the United States Secretary of Energy.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

Reps. Schauer, Sheltroun, Pestka, Wojno, Adamini, Rich Brown, Callahan, Neumann, Bernero, Kolb, Mans, Plakas, Spade, Basham, Lipsey, Garza, Bovin, Switalski, Minore, Dennis, Woodward, Julian, Anderson, Middaugh, Jacobs, Lemmons, Clark, DeRossett, McConico, Hale, Bogardus, Jamnick, Hansen, Birkholz, Murphy, Thomas, Hardman, Clarke, Faunce, Shackleton, DeVuyst, Bob Brown, Lockwood, Whitmer, Stewart, Richner, Scranton, Gielegghem, Bishop, Rocca and Waters offered the following concurrent resolution:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 13.

A concurrent resolution to urge the Michigan Public Service Commission to make every effort to keep the costs of natural gas as low as possible.

Whereas, Over the past few years, several influences have combined to bring uncertainty to the natural gas market. In Michigan, as in other states, steps have been taken to implement deregulation. Demand for energy of all types, but most especially natural gas, has risen dramatically. The severity of this winter's weather has created higher demand in some of the most populous areas of the country; and

Whereas, As part of the process of deregulation here, prices in Michigan for natural gas have been frozen. The cap on prices paid for gas will be expiring soon, with major increases expected for many consumers as early as April 1, 2001. The combination of all of these factors has led to concerns that natural gas prices will skyrocket for all customers and by amounts larger than warranted; and

Whereas, 1982 PA 304 amended the Michigan Public Service Commission act, 1939 PA 3, to provide cost recovery procedures for natural gas utilities. The amendment's provisions call for the development of long-term plans and other steps to minimize costs. With the strong possibility of reductions in natural gas costs within a few years, long-term contracts can help keep costs reasonable; and

Whereas, While there are legitimate worries over the stability of natural gas supplies for the future and while Michigan citizens and businesses do not wish to experience any imbalances such as are occurring in California, it is important for our state to continue to do all it can to keep natural gas prices as low as possible. In determining price levels, it is imperative to keep in mind the requirements in state law and the likelihood that market prices will soon be falling. Our citizens and businesses have a right to expect the state to do all it can to maintain the lowest possible prices for its energy; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That we urge the Michigan Public Service Commission to make every effort to keep the costs of natural gas as low as possible; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Public Service Commission.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

Reports of Standing Committees

The Committee on Education, by Rep. Kuipers, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4190, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending section 96 (MCL 388.1696), as added by 2000 PA 297.

With the recommendation that the substitute (H-2) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

HB 4190 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Kuipers, Meyer, Allen, Bradstreet, DeWeese, Hager, Hart, Ruth Johnson, Van Woerkom, Voorhees, Hansen, Bogardus, Clark, McConico, Spade, Zelenko,

Nays: None.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Kuipers, Chair of the Committee on Education, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Thursday, March 1, 2001, at 9:00 a.m.,

Present: Reps. Kuipers, Meyer, Allen, Bradstreet, DeWeese, Hager, Hart, Ruth Johnson, Van Woerkom, Voorhees, Hansen, Bogardus, Clark, McConico, Spade, Zelenko,

Absent: Rep. Gielegghem,

Excused: Rep. Gielegghem.

The Committee on Local Government and Urban Policy, by Rep. Birkholz, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4222, entitled

A bill to amend 1905 PA 282, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of the property, by whomsoever owned, operated or conducted, of railroad companies, union station and depot companies, telegraph companies, telephone companies, sleeping car companies, express companies, car loaning companies, stock car companies, refrigerator car companies, and fast freight companies, and all other companies owning, leasing, running or operating any freight, stock, refrigerator, or any other cars, not being exclusively the property of any railroad company paying taxes upon its rolling stock under the provisions of this act, over or upon the line or lines of any railroad or railroads in this state, and for the levy of taxes thereon by a state board of assessors, and for the collection of such taxes, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening any of the provisions of this act," by amending sections 12 and 13 (MCL 207.12 and 207.13), as amended by 1995 PA 257.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

HB 4222 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Birkholz, Hager, Gilbert, Gosselin, Richardville, Sanborn, Tabor, Jamnick, Dennis, Hardman, McConico,

Nays: None.

The Committee on Local Government and Urban Policy, by Rep. Birkholz, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4223, entitled

A bill to amend 1911 PA 44, entitled "An act to create a state board of equalization; to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide that said board shall be furnished with certain information by the several boards of supervisors and by the state tax commission; to provide for meeting the expense authorized by this act, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act," by amending sections 4 and 5 (MCL 209.4 and 209.5), section 4 as amended by 1986 PA 143 and section 5 as amended by 1981 PA 52.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

HB 4223 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Birkholz, Hager, Gilbert, Gosselin, Richardville, Sanborn, Tabor, Jamnick, Dennis, Hardman, McConico,

Nays: None.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Birkholz, Chair of the Committee on Local Government and Urban Policy, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, March 6, 2001, at 12:00 Noon,

Present: Reps. Birkholz, Hager, Gilbert, Gosselin, Richardville, Sanborn, Tabor, Jamnick, Dennis, Hardman, McConico.

The Committee on Criminal Justice, by Rep. Faunce, Chair, reported

House Bill No. 4247, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," (MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 506d. The committee recommended that the bill be referred to the Committee on Senior Health, Security and Retirement.

Favorable Roll Call

HB 4247 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Faunce, Kowall, DeWeese, George, Raczkowski, McConico, O'Neil, Rison,

Nays: None.

The recommendation was concurred in and the bill was referred to the Committee on Senior Health, Security and Retirement.

The Committee on Criminal Justice, by Rep. Faunce, Chair, reported

Senate Bill No. 67, entitled

A bill to amend 1846 RS 83, entitled "Of marriage and the solemnization thereof," by repealing section 6 (MCL 551.6).

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

SB 67 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Faunce, Kowall, DeWeese, George, Raczkowski, McConico, O'Neil, Rison,

Nays: None.

The Committee on Criminal Justice, by Rep. Faunce, Chair, reported

Senate Bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 16d of chapter XVII (MCL 777.16d), as amended by 2000 PA 279.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

SB 70 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Faunce, Kowall, DeWeese, George, Raczkowski, McConico, O'Neil, Rison,

Nays: None.

The Committee on Criminal Justice, by Rep. Faunce, Chair, reported

Senate Bill No. 71, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code," by amending sections 90a, 90b, 90c, 90d, and 90e (MCL 750.90a, 750.90b, 750.90c, 750.90d, and 750.90e), as added by 1998 PA 238.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

SB 71 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Faunce, Kowall, DeWeese, George, Raczkowski, McConico, O'Neil, Rison,

Nays: None.

The Committee on Criminal Justice, by Rep. Faunce, Chair, reported

Senate Bill No. 103, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 15 of chapter XVII (MCL 777.15), as amended by 2000 PA 279.

Without amendment and with the recommendation that the bill pass.

The bill was referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

SB 103 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Faunce, Kowall, DeWeese, George, Raczkowski, McConico, O'Neil, Rison,

Nays: None.

The Committee on Criminal Justice, by Rep. Faunce, Chair, reported

Senate Bill No. 104, entitled

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 2162 (MCL 600.2162), as amended by 2000 PA 182.

With the recommendation that the following amendment be adopted and that the bill then pass.

1. Amend page 2, line 4, after "divorce" by inserting a comma and "SEPARATE MAINTENANCE, OR ANNULMENT".

The bill and amendment were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

Favorable Roll Call

SB 104 To Report Out:

Yeas: Reps. Faunce, Kowall, DeWeese, George, Raczkowski, McConico, O'Neil, Rison,

Nays: None.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Faunce, Chair of the Committee on Criminal Justice, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, March 6, 2001, at 10:30 a.m.,

Present: Reps. Faunce, Kowall, DeWeese, George, Raczkowski, McConico, O'Neil, Rison,

Absent: Reps. Julian, Sanborn, Callahan,

Excused: Reps. Julian, Sanborn, Callahan.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Allen, Chair of the Committee on Commerce, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, March 6, 2001, at 9:00 a.m.,

Present: Reps. Allen, Bishop, Garcia, Gilbert, Howell, Middaugh, Mortimer, Van Woerkom, Vear, Thomas, Kolb, Lemmons, Lipsey, Rivet, Waters,

Absent: Reps. DeVuyst, Zelenko,

Excused: Reps. DeVuyst, Zelenko.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Gosselin, Chair of the Committee on Employment Relations, Training and Safety, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, March 6, 2001, at 9:00 a.m.,

Present: Reps. Gosselin, Bisbee, Kuipers, Richner, Minore, Bernero, Dennis.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

The following report, submitted by Rep. Voorhees, Chair of the Committee on Senior Health, Security and Retirement, was received and read:

Meeting held on: Tuesday, March 6, 2001, at 10:30 a.m.,

Present: Reps. Voorhees, Woronchak, Cassis, Kuipers, Vear, Williams, Spade,

Absent: Reps. Bovin, Zelenko,

Excused: Reps. Bovin, Zelenko.

Announcement by the Clerk of Printing and Enrollment

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Wednesday, February 28:

Senate Bill Nos. 258 259 260 261

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Thursday, March 1:

House Bill Nos. 4381 4382 4383 4384 4385

The Clerk announced that the following bills had been printed and placed upon the files of the members, Friday, March 2:

House Bill Nos. 4386 4387 4388 4389 4390 4391 4392 4393 4394 4395 4396 4397

Communications from State Officers

The following communications from the Department of Consumer and Industry Services were received and read:

December 21, 2000

As required by Section 220 (7) and Section 315 of Act 135, P.A. of 1986, as amended, the Michigan Department of Consumer and Industry Services is submitting the enclosed annual report that addresses the status of licensing of asbestos abatement contractors, the amount of money generated by fees, the number of asbestos abatement projects inspected and the number of citations issued for violations of this act and other applicable laws, rules and regulations in the state of Michigan.

Questions regarding this report or the Asbestos Abatement Contractors Licensing Program may be directed to Douglas Kalinowski, Deputy Director, Bureau of Safety and Regulation, at (517) 322-1817.

Sincerely,
Douglas R. Earle
Director

February 28, 2001

Attached is a copy of the preliminary report on the state of competition in the workers' compensation insurance market and my certification as to the presence of workable competition in the market during 2000.

This report and certification were prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 2409 of the Michigan Insurance Code of 1956, as amended, MCL 500.2409; MSA 24.12409.

February 28, 2001

Attached is a copy of the preliminary report on the state of competition in the commercial liability insurance market and my certification as to the presence of workable competition in the market during 2000.

This report and certification were prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 2409(c) of the Michigan Insurance Code of 1956, as amended, MCL 500.2409(c); MSA 24.12409(c).

Sincerely,
Frank M. Fitzgerald
Commissioner of Financial and
Insurance Services

The communications were referred to the Clerk.

Introduction of Bills

Reps. Jelinek, Richardville, Ehardt, Spade, Van Woerkom, Pumford, Bogardus, Stewart, Cassis, Cameron Brown, Lipsey, Raczkowski, Hansen, Bovin, Hart and Tabor introduced

House Bill No. 4398, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled "The state school aid act of 1979," by amending section 101 (MCL 388.1701), as amended by 2000 PA 297.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Reps. Lemmons, Williams, Lipsey, Reeves, Clark, Garza, Kolb and DeWeese introduced

House Bill No. 4399, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 20105a and 20120b (MCL 324.20105a and 324.20120b), as added by 1995 PA 71.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Environment.

Reps. Lemmons, Williams, Lipsey, Reeves, Clark, McConico, Garza, Kolb and DeWeese introduced
House Bill No. 4400, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 20114 (MCL 324.20114), as amended by 1995 PA 71.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Land Use and Environment.

Reps. Schauer, Woodward, Bernero, Garza, Julian, Gielegghem, Hale, Bovin, Kowall, Rich Brown, Switalski and Lipsey introduced

House Bill No. 4401, entitled

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled "The code of criminal procedure," by amending section 2a of chapter IV (MCL 764.2a).

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

Reps. Jansen, Richardville, Julian, Kuipers, Voorhees and Raczkowski introduced

House Bill No. 4402, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 472, entitled "An act to regulate political activity; to regulate lobbyists, lobbyist agents, and lobbying activities; to require registration of lobbyists and lobbyist agents; to require the filing of reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department of state; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," (MCL 4.411 to 4.431) by adding section 6b.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Redistricting and Elections.

Reps. Jansen, Richardville, Julian, Vear and Raczkowski introduced

House Bill No. 4403, entitled

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending section 10101 (MCL 333.10101) and by adding section 10102b.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

Reps. Jansen, Richardville, Julian, Gosselin, Kuipers, Voorhees, Raczkowski and Lemmons introduced

House Bill No. 4404, entitled

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," (MCL 257.1 to 257.923) by adding section 811o.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Reps. Jansen, Gosselin, Richardville, Raczkowski and Lemmons introduced

House Bill No. 4405, entitled

A bill to amend 1993 PA 330, entitled "State real estate transfer tax act," by amending section 6 (MCL 207.526), as amended by 2000 PA 203.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

Reps. Jansen, Vear, Julian, Gosselin, Raczkowski, Richardville and Lemmons introduced

House Bill No. 4406, entitled

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled "Single business tax act," (MCL 208.1 to 208.145) by adding section 39d.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

Reps. Clark, Dennis, Hale, Stewart, Clarke, McConico, Bogardus, Garza, Schauer, Thomas, DeWeese, Jacobs, Callahan, Lipsey, Neumann, Reeves, Hardman, Kolb, Williams, Woodward, Adamini, Rich Brown, Phillips, Anderson, Bovin, Kilpatrick, Rison, Minore, Plakas, Waters, Murphy, Lockwood, O'Neil, Basham and Lemmons introduced

House Bill No. 4407, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1290.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Reps. Clark, Dennis, Hale, McConico, Bogardus, Garza, Thomas, Neumann, Frank, Jacobs, Reeves, Kolb, Switalski, Callahan, Lipsey, Hardman, Williams, Woodward, Adamini, Rich Brown, Phillips, Anderson, Kilpatrick, Rison, Minore, Plakas, Waters, Murphy, Lockwood, Hansen, Basham and Lemmons introduced

House Bill No. 4408, entitled

A bill to regulate check cashing businesses; to provide for licensing and fees; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; and to provide for penalties.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Rep. Mead introduced

House Bill No. 4409, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending section 82118 (MCL 324.82118), as amended by 1996 PA 183.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Conservation and Outdoor Recreation.

Reps. Pumford, Kooiman, Julian, Kowall, Shackleton, Switalski, LaSata, Stamas, Caul, Gosselin, Sheltroun, Jelinek, Howell, Ehardt, Stewart, Cassis and Raczkowski introduced

House Bill No. 4410, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending section 52706 (MCL 324.52706), as added by 1995 PA 57.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Reps. Woodward, Frank, Callahan, Zelenko, Murphy, Whitmer, Switalski, Neumann, DeWeese, Pestka, Lockwood, Mans, Schauer, Spade, Bernero, Rivet, Plakas, Wojno, Lipsey, Kolb, Rich Brown, Waters, Bovin, Williams, Adamini, Bob Brown, McConico, Phillips, Anderson, Quarles, Rison, Basham, Garza, Jamnick, Clarke, Hansen, Kilpatrick, Jacobs, Sheltroun, O’Neil, Minore, Bogardus, Hale, Reeves, Hardman, Clark, Schermesser, Dennis, Woronchak, Pumford, Ehardt, Kowall, Toy, Julian, Pappageorge, Koetje, Richardville, Middaugh, Rocca, Howell, DeRossett, DeVuyst, Gosselin, Richner, Vear, Lemmons and Raczkowski introduced

House Bill No. 4411, entitled

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled “Income tax act of 1967,” by amending section 527a (MCL 206.527a), as amended by 1996 PA 484.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

Reps. DeVuyst, Richner, Raczkowski, Basham, Birkholz, Tabor, Kowall, Julian, Gilbert, Rocca, Patterson, Howell, Koetje and Stamas introduced

House Bill No. 4412, entitled

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled “Natural resources and environmental protection act,” by amending the part heading to part 417 and sections 41701, 41702, 41703, 41704, 41706, 41707, 41708, 41710, 41712, and 43530 (MCL 324.41701, 324.41702, 324.41703, 324.41704, 324.41706, 324.41707, 324.41708, 324.41710, 324.41712, and 324.43530), sections 41701, 41702, 41703, 41704, 41706, 41707, 41708, 41710, and 41712 as added by 1995 PA 57 and section 43530 as amended by 1996 PA 585.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Conservation and Outdoor Recreation.

Reps. Pappageorge, Raczkowski, Spade, Ehardt, Hager, Mortimer, Kooiman, Minore, Patterson, Bishop, Faunce, Richardville, Middaugh, Vander Roest, Garcia, Stewart, Bradstreet, Kowall, Koetje, DeVuyst, Switalski, Ruth Johnson, Toy, Birkholz, Pumford, Clarke, Vear, Gosselin, Vander Veen, Van Woerkom, Julian, Richner, Jelinek, DeRossett, Howell, Stamas, Godchaux, Shackleton, Voorhees, Schermesser, Jamnick, Plakas, Anderson, O’Neil, Pestka, Mans, Woodward, Hale, Rocca, Stallworth, Basham, Sanborn, Mead, DeWeese, Kuipers, Jacobs, Schauer, Hansen, Newell, Frank, Cameron Brown, Bisbee, Allen, Caul, Lockwood, Tabor, Rivet, Sheltroun, Bovin, Wojno, Williams, Callahan, Whitmer, Phillips, Neumann, Lipsey, McConico and Lemmons introduced

House Bill No. 4413, entitled

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled “Single business tax act,” (MCL 208.1 to 208.145) by adding section 39d.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

Reps. Birkholz, Ehardt, Bernero, Vander Veen, Voorhees, Middaugh, George, Toy, Caul, Godchaux, DeVuyst and Mortimer introduced

House Bill No. 4414, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” by amending sections 859, 1053, and 1059 (MCL 380.859, 380.1053, and 380.1059), section 1053 as amended by 1993 PA 9 and section 1059 as amended by 1992 PA 263.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Redistricting and Elections.

Reps. Anderson, Bogardus, Neumann, Rivet, Switalski, Gosselin, Woodward, Basham, Clark, Plakas, Kilpatrick and Lemmons introduced

House Bill No. 4415, entitled

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled “Michigan election law,” by amending section 744 (MCL 168.744), as amended by 1995 PA 261.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Redistricting and Elections.

Reps. Anderson, Bogardus, Neumann, Rivet, Ruth Johnson, Switalski, Woodward, Phillips, Basham, Clark, Plakas and Lemmons introduced

House Bill No. 4416, entitled

A bill to amend 1972 PA 230, entitled “Stille-DeRossett-Hale single state construction code act,” (MCL 125.1501 to 125.1531) by adding section 13e.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

Reps. Godchaux, Scranton, Woodward, Kolb, Koetje, Raczkowski, Stewart, Allen, Richner, Hart, Caul and Lockwood introduced

House Bill No. 4417, entitled

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled “Michigan liquor control code of 1998,” by amending section 1027 (MCL 436.2027) and by adding section 1016.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

Reps. Cassis, Raczkowski, Kooiman, Faunce, Ruth Johnson, DeVuyst, Howell, Birkholz, Bisbee, Middaugh, Stewart, Vander Veen, Kowall, Toy, Voorhees, Mortimer, Ehardt, Woronchak, Switalski, DeRossett, Newell, Bishop and Pappageorge introduced

House Bill No. 4418, entitled

A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for the department of education for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to prescribe certain conditions for the appropriations.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Reps. Cassis, Raczkowski, Stewart, Kooiman, Toy, Richardville, Meyer, Ruth Johnson, Birkholz, Cameron Brown, Bovin, Howell, Woronchak, Middaugh, Switalski, Ehardt, Voorhees, Faunce, Richner, Bisbee, Vander Veen, Mortimer, Kowall, DeVuyst, DeRossett, Newell, Bishop and Pappageorge introduced

House Bill No. 4419, entitled

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled “The revised school code,” (MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1705.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Reps. Thomas, DeWeese, Schauer, Kolb, Garza and Spade introduced

House Bill No. 4420, entitled

A bill to amend 1979 PA 94, entitled “The state school aid act of 1979,” (MCL 388.1601 to 388.1772) by adding section 34.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Reps. Thomas, DeWeese, Schauer, Kolb and Garza introduced

House Bill No. 4421, entitled

A bill to create a child loan guarantee commission and its powers and duties; to create a child care loan guarantee fund; to prescribe the powers and duties for certain state agencies and officers; to prescribe limits on the use of the fund; and to make an appropriation.

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Reps. Stamas, Richardville, Mead, Van Woerkom, Vander Veen, Ehardt, Richner and DeVuyst introduced

House Bill No. 4422, entitled

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled “The Michigan penal code,” by amending section 231a (MCL 750.231a).

The bill was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Civil Law and the Judiciary.

Rep. Switalski moved that the House adjourn.
The motion prevailed, the time being 4:00 p.m.

The Speaker Pro Tempore declared the House adjourned until Wednesday, March 7, at 2:00 p.m.

